

"Why seek ye the living among the dead?"  
Luke 24:1-35 (Vs 5)

Intro: "What is the difference between a dead Christ, whom the women went to anoint, and a living Christ? A dead Christ I must do everything for, a living Christ does everything for me." Andrew Murray Last Sunday we celebrated Resurrection Sunday. I read this chapter at the beginning of the service last week. Today I would like to consider some of the verses.

- I. The \_\_\_\_\_ at hand: Their expectations have not been met Vs 17-21a
- A. Their \_\_\_\_\_ are sad and disappointed Vs 17
  - B. Their expectations were not met by \_\_\_\_\_ Vs 18-21a
- II. The impact the situation had on them \_\_\_\_\_: Their minds were confused by the events that had just happened Vs 21b-27
- A. They couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ out what was going on
  - B. They saw and heard but did not \_\_\_\_\_ that with what the Scriptures taught
  - C. Their doubt and lack of application of known truth generated great \_\_\_\_\_ in their heart
  - D. Many believers today are confused because:
    - 1. They don't \_\_\_\_\_ the Scripture in their everyday life Vs 25-27
      - a. The women had \_\_\_\_\_ what the Scriptures taught by their testimony of the events that had happened at the tomb Vs 1-9 ("and they remembered His words")
      - b. Peter further \_\_\_\_\_ the validity of the empty tomb
    - 2. Therefore they don't understand what God is doing in their life and the life of others Vs 17-24
    - 3. Thus they become confused and troubled in their \_\_\_\_\_
    - 4. And they find it \_\_\_\_\_ to trust God with their life and the life of those they love
- III. The \_\_\_\_\_ power of the Scripture Vs 25-33
- A. Their spiritual condition, as believers, is \_\_\_\_\_ by Christ Vs 25
  - B. Their \_\_\_\_\_ to understand Scripture that they ought to understand is revealed Vs 26
  - C. Their re-involvement with the Scripture brings \_\_\_\_\_ to a troubled heart and mind Vs 27, 32
  - D. Spiritual enlightenment must come from the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_ Vs 15-16, 31
  - E. Understand the Scripture's spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, not just factual information, is life changing Vs 32-35
    - 1. When God opens the Scripture to our spiritual understanding it will change our life \_\_\_\_\_
      - a. They started this 7 1/2 mile walk \_\_\_\_\_ and confused
      - b. They ended this journey by \_\_\_\_\_ their belief in the risen Lord
    - 2. They were more than willing to share what God was doing in their life and praise Him for Who He is! Vs 33-35
      - a. They arose the same hour-the hour was \_\_\_\_\_ and they had settled in for the night Vs 29
      - b. They had to walk the 7 1/2 miles in the \_\_\_\_\_

- c. They went straight to the ones who also were \_\_\_\_\_ with the events of life
- 3. Their testimony to the other disciples was from \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ experience and understanding of the Scripture Vs 33-35
  - a. They had their understanding opened to comprehend the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture
  - b. This understanding changed their whole \_\_\_\_\_ about life and the events taking place
  - c. Their troubled confused hearts were now hearts filled with \_\_\_\_\_, because their focus was on the risen Christ and not their \_\_\_\_\_.

Concl: If we are to have Christ and the Scripture change our life we must ask God to help us understand the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ of the Scripture as much as we understand the \_\_\_\_\_ information.

*1 Corinthians 2:11-14 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.*